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SUBJECT: ANGOLA: VISIT OF PRESIDENT KAUNDA TO LISBON

DURING CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR HINTON AND EMBOFF ON MAY 16, NORMAN ASPIN, ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY AT FCO, TOLD THEM THAT BRITISH HAD HEARD FROM SOURCE ASPIN DID NOT NAME NOR EVALUATE THAT ZAMBIAN PRESIDENT KAUNDA HAD BEEN TIPPED OFF, PROBABLY BY JONAS SAVIMBI, THAT PORTUGUESE HAD INVITED HIM TO LISBON TO ENCOURAGE HIM TO SWITCH SUPPORT BACK TO NETO'S MPLA. BRITISH DID NOT KNOW WHETHER PORTUGUESE WERE SUCCESSFUL, BUT APPEARED TO ASUME THAT THEY WERE NOT. INVITATION TO KAUNDA, ASPIN SAID, TO VISIT LISBON HAD BEEN AT PORTUGUESE INITIATIVE. THEY HAD ALSO TRIED TO PURSUADE PRESIDENT NYERERE TO STOP AT LISBON ENROUTE BACK FROM THE KINGSTON COMMONWEALTH HEADS OF GOVERNMENT MEETING, BUT NYERERE DECLINED.

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